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IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB AND HARYANA AT
CHANDIGARH

CWP No. 8649 of 2016

Date of Decision: 16.02.2017

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.....Petitioner

VS.

STATE OF PUNJAB AND OTHERS

...Respondents

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE KULDIP SINGH.

Present: Mr. M.J.S. Bedi, Advocate,
for the petitioner.

Mr. Anshul Gupta, AAG, Punjab.

Ms. Meena Bansal, Advocate,
for respondent No. 4.

KULDIP SINGH, J (ORAL)

The petitioner has preferred this writ petition under Article 226/227 of the Constitution of India praying for issuance of writ in the nature of mandamus for directing the respondents to pay the interest to the present petitioner on the delayed payment of Death-cum-Retirement Gratuity (DCRG) of her husband.

The written statement on behalf of respondent No. 4 has been filed in the Court today. The same is taken on record.

In the written statement, the respondent No. 4 has stated that husband of the petitioner has died on 18.01.2012 and the amount of DCRG has been released to the petitioner in installments starting from March 2012 to December 2014. Meaning thereby, the same has been released with delay, whereas, it has to be released within three months from the date of death of the husband of the petitioner.

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In these circumstances, the petition is disposed of with a direction to respondent No. 4 to pay the interest @ 9% per annum on the delayed payment of DCRG to the petitioner, starting three months from the date of death of the husband of the petitioner till the actual payment, within three months from the date of receipt of certified copy of this order.

February 16, 2017
Suresh Kumar

(KULDIP SINGH)
JUDGE

<i>Whether speaking / reasoned</i>	:	✓ Yes / No
<i>Whether Reportable</i>	:	Yes / ✓ No